



# SYNOPSIS

## House Bills and Joint Resolutions 2014 Maryland General Assembly Session

**January 13, 2014  
Schedule 4**

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**PLEASE NOTE:** January 21 – Bill request deadline.  
February 7 – Bill introduction deadline.  
All bills must be given to the Chief Clerk by 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 6.  
As required by House Rule 32(b), bills introduced after this date will be referred to the House Rules and Executive Nominations Committee.

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### **HOUSE BILL INTRODUCED JANUARY 10, 2014**

#### **HB 123 Delegate Carr**

##### **PROGRAM OPEN SPACE – USE OF FUNDS – ARTIFICIAL TURF SURFACES**

Prohibiting the use of specified funds under Program Open Space to build new or to replace specified athletic fields with artificial or synthetic turf surfaces; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

NR, §§ 5-903(g) and 5-905(a) - amended and § 5-903(i) - added

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

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**HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED JANUARY 13, 2014****HB 124 Delegates Rosenberg and Lafferty****GENERAL ASSEMBLY – DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS**

Requiring a member of the General Assembly who is required under the Maryland Public Ethics Law to publicly disclose specified information to disclose the same information to a governmental entity in the State if the legislator engages in specified business-related communication with an official or employee of the governmental entity; specifying the manner of disclosure to the governmental entity; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

SG, § 15-513(c) - added and § 15-513(c) and (d) - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 125 Delegate Rosenberg, et al****ELECTION LAW – PETITIONS – PROHIBITED ACTIONS**

Prohibiting a person from willfully and knowingly preventing, hindering, or delaying a person who has a lawful right to sign a petition from signing a petition through the use of fraud, duress, or force.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

EL, § 16-401 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 126 Delegate Rosenberg, et al****VEHICLE LAWS – SEAT BELT USE – EXEMPTION FOR INDIVIDUALS DELIVERING PRINTED PUBLICATIONS**

Exempting from the requirement to be restrained by a seat belt while operating, or riding in, a motor vehicle an individual who, in the regular course of the individual's employment, is delivering printed publications along a specified route under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

TR, § 22-412.3(f) - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 127**     **Chair, Ways and Means Committee (By Request – Departmental – Budget and Management)**

**CENTRAL COLLECTION UNIT – DEBT CERTIFICATION – WITHHOLDING OF INCOME TAX REFUNDS**

Changing from November 1 to January 1 of each calendar year the date by which the Central Collection Unit is required to provide certification to the Comptroller of specified information relating to debts owed to the State.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

TG, § 13-915(a)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

**HB 128**     **Delegate Frank**

**STATE RETIREMENT AND PENSION SYSTEM – MILITARY SERVICE CREDIT – EXCEPTION**

Providing that specified members of the Judges' Retirement System may receive additional service credit for military service if the member has a specified amount of service credit earned through employment by a specified date, is unable to accumulate 10 years of service credit due to mandatory retirement at age 70, becomes a retiree due to mandatory retirement, and has a specified amount of service credit at the time of retirement; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Assigned to: Appropriations

**HB 129**     **Delegate S. Robinson**

**PUBLIC ETHICS – CHESAPEAKE BAY TRUST – EXEMPTIONS AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST PROVISIONS**

Providing that the trustees and employees of the Chesapeake Bay Trust are exempt from the provisions of the Public Ethics Law subject to the adoption of conflict of interest provisions for nonprofit organizations; requiring the Trust to keep on file and make available for public inspection specified conflict of interest provisions; and making specified technical changes.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

NR, § 8-1910 - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 130 Delegate Rudolph****MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE – TASK FORCE TO STUDY METHODS TO REDUCE THE RATE OF UNINSURED DRIVERS**

Establishing the Task Force to Study Methods to Reduce the Rate of Uninsured Drivers; providing for the composition, cochair, and staffing of the Task Force; prohibiting a member of the Task Force from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Task Force to study and make recommendations, including those regarding the rate of uninsured drivers in the State and in other states and the ways in which the rate is calculated in Maryland; etc.

**EMERGENCY BILL**

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 131 Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – CITY OF TAKOMA PARK – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B ON- AND OFF-SALE LICENSE MC 18-14**

Continuing an off-sale privilege to the Class B beer and light wine license issued for hotels and restaurants in the City of Takoma Park.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Chapter 390 of the Acts of 2012, § 2 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 132 Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEER SALES AND DELIVERY TO RETAIL DEALERS MC 19-14**

Authorizing a holder of a Class 7 limited beer wholesaler's license or a nonresident brewery permit to sell or deliver its own beer to a county liquor dispensary, a restaurant, or any other retail dealer in Montgomery County; and authorizing a county liquor dispensary, a restaurant, or any other retail dealer in Montgomery County to purchase beer directly from a holder of a Class 7 limited beer wholesaler's license or a nonresident brewery permit.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, § 15-204 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 133 Delegate Beitzel****VEHICLE LAWS – SCHOOL VEHICLES – DEFINITION**

Altering the definition of a “school vehicle”; establishing that a “school vehicle” includes specified vehicles that meet or comply with specified standards and requirements, were originally used to transport children, students, and teachers in another state, and are used only for transporting children to and from specified locations.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

TR, § 11-154 - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 134 Delegate Morhaim****STATE GOVERNMENT – COMMEMORATIVE DAYS – NATIONAL HEALTHCARE DECISIONS DAY**

Requiring the Governor annually to proclaim April 16 as National Healthcare Decisions Day.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

SG, § 13-413 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 135 Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – TOWN OF KENSINGTON – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SPECIAL B–K LICENSES MC 15–14**

Altering the description of commercial areas in the Town of Kensington in Montgomery County in which the Board of License Commissioners may issue special B–K alcoholic beverages licenses for use on the premises of restaurants located in those areas.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, § 8-216(a)(2)(iv) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 136**    **Montgomery County Delegation**

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – BEER  
FESTIVALS MC 11–14

Authorizing Montgomery County to conduct a beer festival not more than a specified number of times each year under the supervision of the Montgomery County Department of Liquor Control; specifying that the festival organization select the weekends during which the festival will be conducted; authorizing a festival organization to contract with holders of specified alcoholic beverages licenses to sell and display beer at the festival; specifying conditions under which beer may be displayed and sold; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, § 8-807 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 137**    **Montgomery County Delegation**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – BEAUTY  
SALON LICENSE MC 9–14

Establishing in Montgomery County a beauty salon beer and wine license; requiring that a recipient of the license be a holder of a beauty salon permit; authorizing a holder of the license to provide beer and wine by the glass when a cosmetology service is provided or a fundraising event is held; specifying the hours that the license privilege may be exercised; specifying a \$100 annual license fee; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, § 8-216.5 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 138**    **Montgomery County Delegation**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ARCHERY HUNTING – SAFETY ZONE  
MC 5–14

Establishing for archery hunters in Montgomery County a safety zone of 50 yards within which archery hunting may not take place except under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

NR, § 10-410(g) - amended

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 139**    **Montgomery County Delegation**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – LAW ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES –  
AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR MC 17–14

Requiring, in Montgomery County, a law enforcement agency's vehicle used for patrol by a law enforcement officer who is a first responder and trained in the operation and use of an automated external defibrillator (AED) to be equipped with an AED; and defining specified terms.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

PS, § 3-509 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

**HB 140**    **Montgomery County Delegation**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – MICRO-BREWERY LICENSES AND  
CLASS D BEER AND LIGHT WINE LICENSES MC 3–14

Authorizing the Comptroller to issue a Class 7 micro-brewery license in Montgomery County to a holder of a Class D beer and light wine license.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, § 2-208(b) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 141**    **Montgomery County Delegation**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – BARBERSHOPS – RESTRICTION ON  
OPERATION REPEALED MC 1–14

Repealing a specified restriction prohibiting a barbershop in Montgomery County from being open for business more than 6 days per week.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

BOP, § 4-606 - repealed

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 142**    **Montgomery County Delegation**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – PROPORTION OF FOOD AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES SALES – CLASS B LICENSES AND CLASS B–BWL (H–M) LICENSES MC 14–14

Altering the proportion of food and alcoholic beverages sales to which an applicant for a Class B beer, wine and liquor license is required to attest, based on gross receipts, as a prerequisite to obtaining the license; altering the proportion of food and alcoholic beverages sales to which an applicant for a Class B beer, wine and liquor license is required to attest, based on gross receipts from sales during a specified period of time, as a prerequisite to renewing the license; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, § 6-201(q) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 143**    **Montgomery County Delegation**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES SALES – PROHIBITION ON USE OF SELF–SCANNING CASH REGISTERS MC 6–14

Prohibiting a retail alcoholic beverages licensee in Montgomery County from selling alcoholic beverages by means of a self–scanning cash register or a specified other automated system that may be operated on a self–service basis by a customer; and specifying penalties.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, § 12-216.1 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 144**    **Montgomery County Delegation**

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – CLASS B BEER, WINE AND LIQUOR LICENSES MC 12–14

Removing specified geographic restrictions for Class B beer, wine and liquor licenses issued in Montgomery County; altering the license fee for specified Class B beer, wine and liquor licenses obtained in Montgomery County; authorizing the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners to issue a Class B beer, wine and liquor license in specified locations; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, §§ 6-201(q)(2), 8-216(a)(2), 9-102(a), and 9-102.1 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters



**HB 145 Delegate McIntosh****NATURAL RESOURCES – FISHERIES MANAGEMENT – REGULATIONS**

Clarifying the regulatory authority of the Department of Natural Resources to issue public notices for specified fishery management purposes; specifying the types of actions that the Department may include in a specified public notice; and providing that a public notice issued in accordance with specified regulations is not subject to Title 10, Subtitle 1 of the State Government Article.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2014

NR, § 4-222 - added

Assigned to: Environmental Matters

**HB 146 Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – SPECIAL BWL COMMUNITY PERFORMING ARTS FACILITY LICENSE MC 7–14**

Establishing a Special BWL Community Performing Arts Facility alcoholic beverages license in Montgomery County; authorizing the Montgomery County Board of License Commissioners to issue a Special BWL Community Performing Arts Facility license to apply to a specified performing arts facility; authorizing the Board to issue a Special BWL Community Performing Arts Facility license to specified entities to host specified activities; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

Art. 2B, § 6-201(q)(5) - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

**HB 147 Montgomery County Delegation****MONTGOMERY COUNTY – MARYLAND TORT CLAIMS ACT – HUMAN SERVICES TORTS MC 13–14**

Clarifying that, under specified circumstances, Montgomery County acts as a unit of the State and, for the purposes of tort claims arising out of the administration of a specified State human services program by the county, the State shall be named as the proper defendant; altering specified procedures; altering the definition of “tort claim”; applying the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014

SG, §§ 12-103.2 and 12-106 and CJ, § 5-304 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

**HB 148**    **Delegate Sophocleus, et al**

EDUCATION – PUBLIC SCHOOL HOLIDAYS – VETERANS’ DAY

Requiring Veterans’ Day to be a public school holiday.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014

ED, § 7-103 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means